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INTRODUCTION

Public charter schools are unique public schools that are allowed the freedom to be innovative while being held accountable for advancing student achievement. Over the past ten years, enrollment in charter schools has nearly tripled—from 1.2 million students in 2006–07 to more than 3 million students in 2016–17. The number of school districts with a significant charter school presence continues to grow. In 2016–17, 19 districts had 30 percent or more of their students enrolled in charter schools, and 208 districts had at least 10 percent of their students enrolled in charter schools. In 2016–17, nearly 10 million public school students, or one in five, attended school in a district with at least 10,000 students in which 10 percent or more were enrolled in charter schools.

The first charter school opened in Minnesota in 1992. For the past 25 years, the charter school movement has been a leader in innovation, school choice, and education reform. By unleashing an environment of creativity in states and communities, charter schools have demonstrated that all children are capable of academic achievement that prepares them to succeed in college, their career, and their life. Charter schools have led efforts to eliminate achievement gaps, boost graduation rates, and revitalize communities. Because charter schools have a successful track record of meeting students’ specific needs, parental demand for them remains high.

This report identifies communities that have the highest percentage and the highest number of students enrolled in charter schools. When families have public school choice, they increasingly select charter schools over district-run schools. In fact, a recent survey by Phi Delta Kappan (PDK) found that 17 percent of parents would send their child to a charter school if location and capacity were not an issue—meaning that the potential number of charter school students is nearly 9 million.¹ In addition, a 2016 survey commissioned by the National Alliance for Public Charter Schools (National Alliance) shows that 78 percent of parents would support a new charter school opening in their neighborhood.²

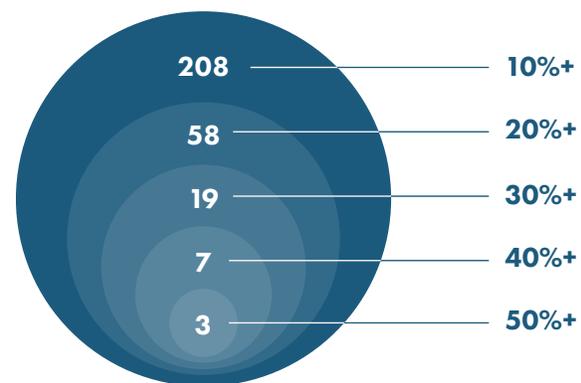
1 There are roughly 50 million public school students in the U.S. “49th Annual Poll of the Public’s Attitudes Toward the Public Schools,” Phi Delta Kappan, September 2017 (http://pdkpoll.org/assets/downloads/PDKnational_poll_2017.pdf).

2 “New National Survey Shows 78% of Parents Support Charter Schools Opening in Their Neighborhood,” National Alliance for Public Charter Schools, April 2016 (<http://www.publiccharters.org/press/national-survey-shows-78-parents-support-charter-schools-opening-neighborhood/>).

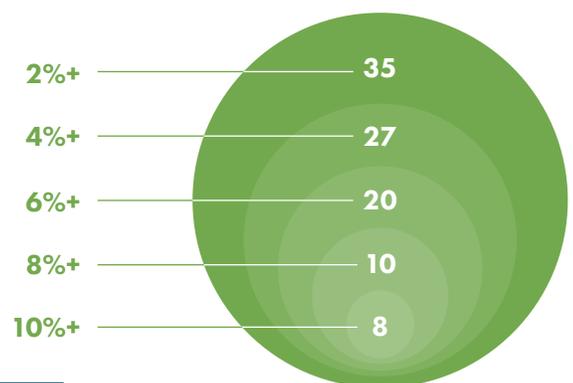
The National Alliance collected public school enrollment data for the 2016–17 school year to identify communities across the country where the highest proportions of students were enrolled in charter schools. To calculate these proportions, charter schools were mapped to geographic school district boundaries based on their address.³ This report compares the enrollment of charter schools located within geographic school district boundaries with district-run schools in the same area—resulting in “enrollment share.”

OUR GROWING PRESENCE

Districts With Significant Charter Enrollment



States With Significant Charter Enrollment⁴



3 This analysis is performed based on geographic school district boundaries and does not take into account what entity authorizes the school.

4 The District of Columbia has a 46 percent charter school enrollment share and has not been included in this table.

DISTRICTS WITH THE HIGHEST SHARE OF CHARTER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

When this report was first published, only one district—New Orleans—had more than 30 percent of students enrolled in charter schools. In 2016–17, 19 districts had at least 30 percent of students attending charter schools.

Seven Districts Have at Least 40 Percent Charter School Enrollment Share.

In 2016–17, the share of students who attend charter schools was 40 percent or more in seven districts: New Orleans ranked first (93 percent); Flint, Mich., ranked second (55 percent); Detroit, Mich., ranked third (53 percent); Queen Creek, Ariz., ranked fourth (48 percent); Gary, Ind., and the District of Columbia both ranked fifth (46 percent); and Kansas City, Mo., ranked seventh (43 percent).

Four of the Five Districts with Unified Enrollment Systems Have Charter School Enrollment Share of Greater than 30 Percent.

Five large urban districts currently use unified enrollment systems in which parents can apply to any public school within the system (charter or district), regardless of where in the district they live. In

four of these five districts (New Orleans, the District of Columbia, Camden, and Newark), charter schools enrolled more than 30 percent of all public school students in 2016–17. In the fifth district with a unified enrollment system, Denver, the charter school enrollment share hit 20 percent for the first time.

California Now Has Three Districts with Charter School Enrollment Share of Greater than 30 Percent.

In 2016–17, two new districts in California passed the 30 percent charter school enrollment share threshold: Inglewood Unified School District and Franklin-McKinley School District. These districts join Natomas Unified School District as California districts with the highest charter school enrollment share. In addition, Victor Valley narrowly missed the 30 percent mark this year with a 29 percent charter school enrollment share.

Kansas City and Camden, N.J. Saw Increases in Their Charter School Enrollment Share.

Total public school enrollment levels were stable in both districts, while charter school enrollment levels increased. In 2016–17, the charter school enrollment share increased by four percentage points in Camden and three percentage points in Kansas City.

AMERICA'S LARGEST PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

TABLE 1: THE LARGEST PERCENTAGE OF CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS BY DISTRICT, 2016-17

| SCHOOL DISTRICT | STATE | CHARTER ENROLLMENT | DISTRICT ENROLLMENT | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | ENROLLMENT SHARE |
|---|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| New Orleans Public School System | LA | 44,380 | 3,520 | 47,900 | 93% |
| School District of the City of Flint | MI | 5,780 | 4,810 | 10,590 | 55% |
| Detroit Public Schools Community District | MI | 50,460 | 44,890 | 95,350 | 53% |
| Queen Creek Unified District | AZ | 6,110 | 6,740 | 12,850 | 48% |
| Gary Community School Corporation | IN | 5,000 | 5,820 | 10,820 | 46% |
| District of Columbia Public Schools | DC | 41,490 | 48,510 | 90,000 | 46% |
| Kansas City School District | MO | 11,410 | 15,210 | 26,620 | 43% |
| Camden City School District | NJ | 5,360 | 8,890 | 14,250 | 38% |
| Natomas Unified School District | CA | 4,860 | 9,790 | 14,640 | 33% |
| Indianapolis Public Schools | IN | 14,240 | 28,770 | 43,000 | 33% |
| Roosevelt Elementary District | AZ | 4,750 | 9,670 | 14,420 | 33% |
| Dayton City School District | OH | 6,530 | 13,320 | 19,850 | 33% |
| Philadelphia City School District | PA | 64,270 | 134,130 | 198,400 | 32% |
| St. Louis City School District | MO | 11,070 | 23,850 | 34,930 | 32% |
| Newark City School District | NJ | 16,220 | 35,840 | 52,050 | 31% |
| Cleveland Municipal School District | OH | 16,710 | 38,720 | 55,430 | 30% |
| Inglewood Unified School District | CA | 3,770 | 8,940 | 12,720 | 30% |
| Franklin-McKinley School District | CA | 3,170 | 7,560 | 10,730 | 30% |
| Grand Rapids Public Schools | MI | 6,590 | 15,720 | 22,300 | 30% |

DISTRICTS WITH THE GREATEST NUMBER OF CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS

Four Districts Enroll at Least 60,000 Charter School Students.

In 2016–17, four districts in large urban areas enrolled more than 60,000 charter school students: Los Angeles, New York City, Philadelphia, and Miami-Dade.

The Top 10 Districts For Charter School Enrollment Serve Nearly One-Quarter of All Charter School Students Nationwide.

In 2016–17, the 10 districts with the largest number of students in charter schools served 22 percent of all charter school students nationwide—or more than 685,000 students. In total, these 10 large urban districts enrolled nearly 3.4 million public school students.

Los Angeles Again Tops the List for Number of Students Enrolled in Charter Schools.

In 2016–17, more than 163,000 students attended charter schools in Los Angeles—the highest number for any district in the country. Between 2015–16 and 2016–17, Los Angeles charter schools enrollment increased by more than 7,000 students—a growth rate of nearly five percent.

New York City Charter Enrollment Surpassed 100,000 Students.

Between 2015–16 and 2016–17, charter school enrollment in New York City increased by nearly 10,000 students, surpassing 100,000 for the first time. In addition, the charter school enrollment share hit the 10 percent threshold.

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TABLE 2: THE LARGEST NUMBER OF CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS BY DISTRICT, 2016-17

| NO. | SCHOOL DISTRICT | STATE | CHARTER ENROLLMENT | DISTRICT ENROLLMENT | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | ENROLLMENT SHARE |
|-----|---|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Los Angeles Unified School District | CA | 163,720 | 476,260 | 639,980 | 26% |
| 2 | New York City Department of Education | NY | 102,960 | 946,170 | 1,049,130 | 10% |
| 3 | Philadelphia City School District | PA | 64,270 | 134,130 | 198,400 | 32% |
| 4 | Miami-Dade County School District | FL | 62,280 | 294,610 | 356,890 | 17% |
| 5 | Chicago Public Schools | IL | 59,270 | 319,400 | 378,660 | 16% |
| 6 | Detroit Public Schools Community District | MI | 50,460 | 44,890 | 95,350 | 53% |
| 7 | Houston Independent School District | TX | 50,310 | 195,980 | 246,290 | 20% |
| 8 | Broward County School District | FL | 46,750 | 225,380 | 272,130 | 17% |
| 9 | New Orleans Public School System | LA | 44,380 | 3,520 | 47,900 | 93% |
| 10 | District of Columbia Public Schools | DC | 41,490 | 48,510 | 90,000 | 46% |

AMERICA'S LARGEST PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES
 DISTRICTS WITH CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENT SHARE OF ENROLLMENT OVER 30 PERCENT, 2016-17



IN 2004, **ONLY ONE DISTRICT**—NEW ORLEANS—HAD MORE THAN 30 PERCENT OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN CHARTER SCHOOLS.

IN 2016-17, **19 DISTRICTS** HAVE AT LEAST 30 PERCENT OF STUDENTS ATTENDING CHARTER SCHOOLS.

| # | School District | % |
|---|---|-----|
| 1 | New Orleans Public School System | 93% |
| 2 | School District of the City of Flint | 55% |
| 3 | Detroit Public Schools Community District | 53% |
| 4 | Queen Creek Unified District | 48% |
| 5 | Gary Community School Corporation | 46% |
| 6 | District of Columbia Public Schools | 46% |
| 7 | Kansas City School District | 43% |

| # | School District | % |
|----|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 8 | Camden City School District | 38% |
| 9 | Natomas Unified School District | 33% |
| 10 | Indianapolis Public Schools | 33% |
| 11 | Roosevelt Elementary District | 33% |
| 12 | Dayton City School District | 33% |
| 13 | Philadelphia City School District | 32% |
| 14 | St. Louis City School District | 32% |

| # | School District | % |
|----|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 15 | Newark City School District | 31% |
| 16 | Cleveland Municipal School District | 30% |
| 17 | Inglewood Unified School District | 30% |
| 18 | Franklin-McKinley School District | 30% |
| 19 | Grand Rapids Public Schools | 30% |

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| 1 | New Orleans Public School System | LA | 44,380 | 3,520 | 47,900 | 93% |
| 2 | School District of the City of Flint | MI | 5,780 | 4,810 | 10,590 | 55% |
| 3 | Detroit Public Schools Community District | MI | 50,460 | 44,890 | 95,350 | 53% |
| 4 | Queen Creek Unified District | AZ | 6,110 | 6,740 | 12,850 | 48% |
| 5 | Gary Community School Corporation | IN | 5,000 | 5,820 | 10,820 | 46% |
| 6 | District of Columbia Public Schools | DC | 41,490 | 48,510 | 90,000 | 46% |
| 7 | Kansas City School District | MO | 11,410 | 15,210 | 26,620 | 43% |
| 8 | Camden City School District | NJ | 5,360 | 8,890 | 14,250 | 38% |
| 9 | Natomas Unified School District | CA | 4,860 | 9,790 | 14,640 | 33% |
| 10 | Indianapolis Public Schools | IN | 14,240 | 28,770 | 43,000 | 33% |
| 11 | Roosevelt Elementary District | AZ | 4,750 | 9,670 | 14,420 | 33% |
| 12 | Dayton City School District | OH | 6,530 | 13,320 | 19,850 | 33% |
| 13 | Philadelphia City School District | PA | 64,270 | 134,130 | 198,400 | 32% |
| 14 | St. Louis City School District | MO | 11,070 | 23,850 | 34,930 | 32% |
| 15 | Newark City School District | NJ | 16,220 | 35,840 | 52,050 | 31% |
| 16 | Cleveland Municipal School District | OH | 16,710 | 38,720 | 55,430 | 30% |
| 17 | Inglewood Unified School District | CA | 3,770 | 8,940 | 12,720 | 30% |
| 18 | Franklin-McKinley School District | CA | 3,170 | 7,560 | 10,730 | 30% |
| 19 | Grand Rapids Public Schools | MI | 6,590 | 15,720 | 22,300 | 30% |
| 20 | Oakland Unified School District | CA | 15,210 | 36,760 | 51,970 | 29% |
| 21 | Victor Valley Union High School District | CA | 4,030 | 10,010 | 14,040 | 29% |
| 22 | Manor Independent School District | TX | 3,520 | 8,870 | 12,390 | 28% |
| 23 | Harrison School District | CO | 3,650 | 9,430 | 13,080 | 28% |
| 24 | San Antonio Independent School District | TX | 16,900 | 45,040 | 61,940 | 27% |
| 25 | Ogden School District | UT | 4,480 | 12,190 | 16,670 | 27% |

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| 26 | Christina School District | DE | 5,420 | 15,080 | 20,490 | 26% |
| 27 | Columbus City School District | OH | 18,080 | 50,400 | 68,490 | 26% |
| 28 | Cedar Hill Independent School District | TX | 2,650 | 7,460 | 10,110 | 26% |
| 29 | Brighton School District 27J | CO | 4,640 | 13,180 | 17,820 | 26% |
| 30 | St. Paul Public School District | MN | 12,910 | 37,110 | 50,020 | 26% |
| 31 | Phoenix Union High School District | AZ | 9,470 | 27,360 | 36,820 | 26% |
| 32 | Los Angeles Unified School District | CA | 163,720 | 476,260 | 639,980 | 26% |
| 33 | Toledo City School District | OH | 7,750 | 22,890 | 30,630 | 25% |
| 34 | Alum Rock Union Elementary | CA | 3,330 | 10,030 | 13,360 | 25% |
| 35 | Greeley School District 6 | CO | 5,290 | 16,630 | 21,910 | 24% |
| 36 | Twin Rivers Unified School District | CA | 7,580 | 23,880 | 31,460 | 24% |
| 37 | Albany City School District | NY | 2,800 | 9,110 | 11,910 | 24% |
| 38 | Flagstaff Unified District | AZ | 2,920 | 9,620 | 12,540 | 23% |
| 39 | Baldwin Park Unified | CA | 4,090 | 13,640 | 17,720 | 23% |
| 40 | Minneapolis Public School District | MN | 10,840 | 36,490 | 47,340 | 23% |
| 41 | Falcon School District 49 | CO | 3,790 | 12,790 | 16,580 | 23% |
| 42 | Scottsdale Unified District | AZ | 6,800 | 23,290 | 30,080 | 23% |
| 43 | Grossmont Union High School District | CA | 4,670 | 16,960 | 21,630 | 22% |
| 44 | Douglas County School District | CO | 14,150 | 53,070 | 67,220 | 21% |
| 45 | Temecula Valley Unified School District | CA | 7,500 | 28,300 | 35,800 | 21% |
| 46 | Buffalo City School District | NY | 8,740 | 33,230 | 41,970 | 21% |
| 47 | Tucson Unified District | AZ | 12,520 | 47,720 | 60,240 | 21% |
| 48 | Dysart Unified District | AZ | 6,500 | 24,850 | 31,350 | 21% |
| 49 | Milwaukee School District | WI | 17,160 | 65,640 | 82,800 | 21% |
| 50 | Edgewood Independent School District | TX | 2,800 | 10,880 | 13,670 | 20% |

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| 51 | Houston Independent School District | TX | 50,310 | 195,980 | 246,290 | 20% |
| 52 | Chula Vista Elementary School District | CA | 5,970 | 23,480 | 29,450 | 20% |
| 53 | West Chester Area School District | PA | 2,930 | 11,580 | 14,510 | 20% |
| 54 | Denver Public Schools | CO | 18,170 | 72,430 | 90,590 | 20% |
| 55 | Adelanto Elementary | CA | 2,090 | 8,340 | 10,430 | 20% |
| 56 | Pulaski County Special School District | AR | 3,050 | 12,200 | 15,250 | 20% |
| 57 | Boston School District | MA | 13,250 | 53,160 | 66,420 | 20% |
| 58 | Yuma Elementary District | AZ | 2,110 | 8,690 | 10,790 | 20% |
| 59 | San Juan Unified School District | CA | 9,490 | 39,680 | 49,170 | 19% |
| 60 | Trenton City School District | NJ | 2,530 | 10,960 | 13,490 | 19% |
| 61 | San Diego City Unified School District | CA | 24,440 | 105,870 | 130,300 | 19% |
| 62 | Lansing Public School District | MI | 2,490 | 10,870 | 13,360 | 19% |
| 63 | Cartwright Elementary District | AZ | 4,060 | 17,970 | 22,030 | 18% |
| 64 | Northglenn-Thornton School District 12 | CO | 8,070 | 35,920 | 43,990 | 18% |
| 65 | Chico Unified School District | CA | 2,670 | 11,960 | 14,630 | 18% |
| 66 | Higley Unified District | AZ | 2,700 | 12,110 | 14,820 | 18% |
| 67 | Amphitheater Unified District | AZ | 3,020 | 13,730 | 16,750 | 18% |
| 68 | Donna Independent School District | TX | 3,270 | 15,070 | 18,340 | 18% |
| 69 | Iredell-Statesville Schools | NC | 4,380 | 20,420 | 24,790 | 18% |
| 70 | Gilbert Unified District | AZ | 7,370 | 34,820 | 42,190 | 17% |
| 71 | Miami-Dade County School District | FL | 62,280 | 294,610 | 356,890 | 17% |
| 72 | East Side Union High | CA | 4,870 | 23,210 | 28,080 | 17% |
| 73 | Rochester City School District | NY | 5,830 | 27,960 | 33,800 | 17% |
| 74 | Broward County School District | FL | 46,750 | 225,380 | 272,130 | 17% |
| 75 | Atlanta City School District | GA | 8,880 | 42,900 | 51,790 | 17% |

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| 76 | Baltimore City Public Schools | MD | 14,080 | 68,270 | 82,350 | 17% |
| 77 | Escondido Union Elementary School District | CA | 3,320 | 16,250 | 19,570 | 17% |
| 78 | Dallas Independent School District | TX | 32,100 | 157,410 | 189,500 | 17% |
| 79 | Red Clay Consolidated School District | DE | 3,220 | 15,930 | 19,150 | 17% |
| 80 | Bethlehem Area School District | PA | 2,750 | 13,720 | 16,470 | 17% |
| 81 | Shelby County School District* | TN | 19,850 | 99,720 | 119,570 | 17% |
| 82 | Stockton Unified School District | CA | 7,000 | 35,170 | 42,170 | 17% |
| 83 | Marana Unified District | AZ | 2,370 | 11,980 | 14,350 | 17% |
| 84 | Vista Unified School District | CA | 4,290 | 21,720 | 26,010 | 16% |
| 85 | Colorado Springs School District 11 | CO | 5,040 | 25,710 | 30,750 | 16% |
| 86 | Port Huron Area School District | MI | 1,690 | 8,650 | 10,340 | 16% |
| 87 | Duluth Public School District | MN | 1,660 | 8,530 | 10,190 | 16% |
| 88 | Waxahachie Independent School District | TX | 1,630 | 8,410 | 10,040 | 16% |
| 89 | Little Rock School District | AR | 4,050 | 20,930 | 24,980 | 16% |
| 90 | Austin Independent School District | TX | 15,790 | 82,240 | 98,030 | 16% |
| 91 | Cincinnati City School District | OH | 6,360 | 33,530 | 39,890 | 16% |
| 92 | Coppell Independent School District | TX | 2,350 | 12,390 | 14,740 | 16% |
| 93 | Deer Valley Unified District | AZ | 6,500 | 34,380 | 40,880 | 16% |
| 94 | Tempe Union High School District | AZ | 2,560 | 13,640 | 16,200 | 16% |
| 95 | Peoria Unified School District | AZ | 6,900 | 36,840 | 43,750 | 16% |
| 96 | Bridgeport School District | CT | 3,830 | 20,540 | 24,370 | 16% |
| 97 | Chicago Public Schools | IL | 59,270 | 319,400 | 378,660 | 16% |
| 98 | Bay County School District | FL | 4,300 | 23,300 | 27,600 | 16% |
| 99 | Appleton Area School District | WI | 2,440 | 13,240 | 15,680 | 16% |
| 100 | Durham Public Schools | NC | 6,070 | 33,150 | 39,220 | 15% |

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| 101 | Jordan School District | UT | 9,550 | 52,510 | 62,060 | 15% |
| 102 | Monterey Peninsula Unified School District | CA | 1,770 | 9,780 | 11,550 | 15% |
| 103 | Sarasota County School District | FL | 6,530 | 36,230 | 42,760 | 15% |
| 104 | Allentown City School District | PA | 3,070 | 17,190 | 20,260 | 15% |
| 105 | Oklahoma City Public Schools | OK | 6,690 | 37,480 | 44,170 | 15% |
| 106 | Jersey City School District | NJ | 4,830 | 27,160 | 31,990 | 15% |
| 107 | East Baton Rouge Parish School District | LA | 6,780 | 38,340 | 45,120 | 15% |
| 108 | Wayne-Westland Community School District | MI | 1,960 | 11,130 | 13,090 | 15% |
| 109 | Colonial School District | DE | 1,750 | 9,910 | 11,660 | 15% |
| 110 | Osceola County School District | FL | 9,140 | 51,850 | 60,990 | 15% |
| 111 | Lincoln County Schools | NC | 2,000 | 11,380 | 13,390 | 15% |
| 112 | Polk County School District | FL | 15,460 | 88,440 | 103,900 | 15% |
| 113 | Chandler Unified District | AZ | 7,710 | 44,570 | 52,280 | 15% |
| 114 | Palmdale Elementary | CA | 3,240 | 19,170 | 22,410 | 14% |
| 115 | San Benito Consolidated Independent School District | TX | 1,800 | 10,640 | 12,440 | 14% |
| 116 | Albuquerque Public Schools | NM | 14,370 | 85,230 | 99,610 | 14% |
| 117 | Sacramento City Unified School District | CA | 6,820 | 40,770 | 47,590 | 14% |
| 118 | Sheboygan Area School District | WI | 1,450 | 8,770 | 10,230 | 14% |
| 119 | Weslaco Independent School District | TX | 2,880 | 17,410 | 20,290 | 14% |
| 120 | Parma City School District | OH | 1,770 | 10,720 | 12,490 | 14% |
| 121 | Sunnyside Unified District | AZ | 2,660 | 16,220 | 18,870 | 14% |
| 122 | Alameda City Unified School District | CA | 1,550 | 9,450 | 11,000 | 14% |
| 123 | Osseo Public School District | MN | 3,400 | 20,850 | 24,240 | 14% |
| 124 | Duncanville Independent School District | TX | 2,080 | 12,820 | 14,900 | 14% |
| 125 | West Contra Costa Unified School District | CA | 4,610 | 28,430 | 33,040 | 14% |

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|-----|---|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 126 | San Jose Unified School District | CA | 4,830 | 30,150 | 34,990 | 14% |
| 127 | Kentwood Public Schools | MI | 1,430 | 8,920 | 10,340 | 14% |
| 128 | Providence School District | RI | 3,670 | 23,040 | 26,720 | 14% |
| 129 | Carrollton-Farmers Branch Independent School District | TX | 3,980 | 24,960 | 28,940 | 14% |
| 130 | Marysville Joint Unified School District | CA | 1,480 | 9,420 | 10,900 | 14% |
| 131 | Menifee Union Elementary | CA | 1,580 | 10,090 | 11,670 | 13% |
| 132 | Paradise Valley Unified District | AZ | 4,940 | 31,700 | 36,640 | 13% |
| 133 | Manatee County School District | FL | 6,560 | 42,240 | 48,800 | 13% |
| 134 | Academy School District 20 | CO | 3,310 | 21,560 | 24,880 | 13% |
| 135 | Nampa School District 131 | ID | 2,200 | 14,350 | 16,550 | 13% |
| 136 | Vacaville Unified School District | CA | 1,690 | 11,030 | 12,710 | 13% |
| 137 | Kyrene Elementary District | AZ | 2,600 | 17,140 | 19,740 | 13% |
| 138 | Pittsburgh School District | PA | 3,330 | 22,110 | 25,440 | 13% |
| 139 | Rocklin Unified School District | CA | 1,720 | 11,520 | 13,240 | 13% |
| 140 | Alhambra Elementary District | AZ | 2,020 | 13,560 | 15,580 | 13% |
| 141 | Santa Fe Public Schools | NM | 1,920 | 12,870 | 14,790 | 13% |
| 142 | Indian River County School District | FL | 2,310 | 15,550 | 17,860 | 13% |
| 143 | Litchfield Elementary District | AZ | 1,720 | 11,640 | 13,350 | 13% |
| 144 | Cajon Valley Union | CA | 2,370 | 16,170 | 18,540 | 13% |
| 145 | Port Arthur Independent School District | TX | 1,280 | 8,890 | 10,180 | 13% |
| 146 | Mesa Unified District | AZ | 9,170 | 63,560 | 72,740 | 13% |
| 147 | Salt Lake City School District | UT | 3,310 | 23,050 | 26,360 | 13% |
| 148 | William S. Hart Union High | CA | 3,180 | 22,390 | 25,580 | 12% |
| 149 | Santa Ana Unified School District | CA | 7,060 | 49,770 | 56,830 | 12% |
| 150 | Canyons School District | UT | 4,790 | 34,020 | 38,810 | 12% |

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 PERCENT ENROLLMENT SHARE, 2016-17**

| NO. | SCHOOL DISTRICT | STATE | CHARTER ENROLLMENT | DISTRICT ENROLLMENT | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | ENROLLMENT SHARE |
|-----|--|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 151 | Fall River School District | MA | 1,420 | 10,160 | 11,580 | 12% |
| 152 | San Jacinto Unified School District | CA | 1,370 | 9,810 | 11,180 | 12% |
| 153 | Poudre School District R-1 | CO | 3,780 | 27,190 | 30,960 | 12% |
| 154 | Alief Independent School District | TX | 6,430 | 46,370 | 52,800 | 12% |
| 155 | Lake County School District | FL | 5,140 | 37,270 | 42,410 | 12% |
| 156 | Pharr-San Juan-Alamo Independent School District | TX | 4,430 | 32,200 | 36,630 | 12% |
| 157 | West Covina Unified School District | CA | 1,230 | 8,970 | 10,200 | 12% |
| 158 | Eden Prairie Public School District | MN | 1,230 | 8,960 | 10,190 | 12% |
| 159 | Waco Independent School District | TX | 2,060 | 15,080 | 17,140 | 12% |
| 160 | Traverse City Area Public Schools | MI | 1,280 | 9,480 | 10,750 | 12% |
| 161 | Lee County School District | FL | 10,780 | 79,970 | 90,750 | 12% |
| 162 | Napa Valley Unified School District | CA | 2,220 | 16,880 | 19,100 | 12% |
| 163 | Arlington Independent School District | TX | 8,000 | 62,180 | 70,190 | 11% |
| 164 | Plymouth-Canton Community Schools | MI | 2,220 | 17,280 | 19,490 | 11% |
| 165 | Glendale Union High School District | AZ | 2,010 | 15,650 | 17,660 | 11% |
| 166 | Medford School District 549 | OR | 1,570 | 12,510 | 14,080 | 11% |
| 167 | St. Lucie County School District | FL | 4,630 | 37,030 | 41,660 | 11% |
| 168 | Akron City School District | OH | 2,560 | 20,860 | 23,410 | 11% |
| 169 | Palm Beach County School District | FL | 21,010 | 171,530 | 192,550 | 11% |
| 170 | Davis School District | UT | 8,680 | 70,980 | 79,650 | 11% |
| 171 | Visalia Unified School District | CA | 3,360 | 27,570 | 30,930 | 11% |
| 172 | Georgetown Independent School District | TX | 1,390 | 11,430 | 12,820 | 11% |
| 173 | Charleston County School District | SC | 5,380 | 44,370 | 49,750 | 11% |
| 174 | Lawrence School District | MA | 1,680 | 13,860 | 15,530 | 11% |
| 175 | Wilson County Schools | NC | 1,450 | 12,070 | 13,530 | 11% |

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|-----|---|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 176 | Jefferson County School District | CO | 9,180 | 76,570 | 85,740 | 11% |
| 177 | Granite School District | UT | 8,020 | 67,180 | 75,200 | 11% |
| 178 | Erie City School District | PA | 1,350 | 11,320 | 12,670 | 11% |
| 179 | Waukesha School District | WI | 1,330 | 11,170 | 12,500 | 11% |
| 180 | Oceanside Unified School District | CA | 2,190 | 18,420 | 20,610 | 11% |
| 181 | Westminster School District 50 | CO | 1,140 | 9,630 | 10,780 | 11% |
| 182 | York School District 3 | SC | 2,110 | 17,790 | 19,900 | 11% |
| 183 | St. Vrain Valley School District RE 1J | CO | 3,370 | 28,710 | 32,070 | 10% |
| 184 | Springfield School District | MA | 3,000 | 25,630 | 28,640 | 10% |
| 185 | Grand Prairie Independent School District | TX | 3,370 | 29,080 | 32,440 | 10% |
| 186 | Edinburg Consolidated Independent School District | TX | 3,970 | 34,680 | 38,640 | 10% |
| 187 | Washington School District | UT | 3,210 | 28,220 | 31,430 | 10% |
| 188 | Lexington School District 2 | SC | 1,030 | 9,070 | 10,090 | 10% |
| 189 | Duval County School District | FL | 13,100 | 115,660 | 128,760 | 10% |
| 190 | Leon County School District | FL | 3,610 | 32,040 | 35,650 | 10% |
| 191 | Apple Valley Unified School District | CA | 1,450 | 12,900 | 14,350 | 10% |
| 192 | Tracy Unified School District | CA | 1,680 | 15,150 | 16,820 | 10% |
| 193 | Tulsa Public Schools | OK | 3,400 | 31,040 | 34,450 | 10% |
| 194 | Kenosha School District | WI | 2,140 | 19,540 | 21,680 | 10% |
| 195 | Appoquinimink School District | DE | 1,160 | 10,640 | 11,800 | 10% |
| 196 | New York City Department of Education | NY | 102,960 | 946,170 | 1,049,130 | 10% |
| 197 | Alpine School District | UT | 8,440 | 77,640 | 86,080 | 10% |
| 198 | Hesperia Unified School District | CA | 2,340 | 21,490 | 23,830 | 10% |
| 199 | Nebo School District | UT | 3,510 | 32,440 | 35,950 | 10% |
| 200 | New Haven School District | CT | 2,360 | 21,880 | 24,240 | 10% |

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|-----|--|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 201 | Lowell School District | MA | 1,560 | 14,420 | 15,970 | 10% |
| 202 | Provo School District | UT | 1,540 | 14,280 | 15,820 | 10% |
| 203 | Perris Union High | CA | 1,040 | 9,720 | 10,760 | 10% |
| 204 | Pasadena Unified School District | CA | 1,820 | 17,000 | 18,810 | 10% |
| 205 | Nashville-Davidson County School District* | TN | 8,200 | 77,160 | 85,360 | 10% |
| 206 | Reynolds School District 7 | OR | 1,110 | 10,430 | 11,540 | 10% |
| 207 | Brownsville Independent School District | TX | 4,970 | 46,880 | 51,850 | 10% |
| 208 | Cache School District | UT | 1,860 | 17,540 | 19,390 | 10% |

AMERICA'S LARGEST PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES
**APPENDIX B: TOP 50 DISTRICTS BY TOTAL NUMBER OF CHARTER
 SCHOOL STUDENTS, 2016-17**

| NO. | SCHOOL DISTRICT | STATE | CHARTER ENROLLMENT | DISTRICT ENROLLMENT | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | ENROLLMENT SHARE |
|-----|---|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Los Angeles Unified School District | CA | 163,720 | 476,260 | 639,980 | 26% |
| 2 | New York City Department of Education | NY | 102,960 | 946,170 | 1,049,130 | 10% |
| 3 | Philadelphia City School District | PA | 64,270 | 134,130 | 198,400 | 32% |
| 4 | Miami-Dade County School District | FL | 62,280 | 294,610 | 356,890 | 17% |
| 5 | Chicago Public Schools | IL | 59,270 | 319,400 | 378,660 | 16% |
| 6 | Detroit Public Schools Community District | MI | 50,460 | 44,890 | 95,350 | 53% |
| 7 | Houston Independent School District | TX | 50,310 | 195,980 | 246,290 | 20% |
| 8 | Broward County School District | FL | 46,750 | 225,380 | 272,130 | 17% |
| 9 | New Orleans Public School System | LA | 44,380 | 3,520 | 47,900 | 93% |
| 10 | District of Columbia Public Schools | DC | 41,490 | 48,510 | 90,000 | 46% |
| 11 | Dallas Independent School District | TX | 32,100 | 157,410 | 189,500 | 17% |
| 12 | Clark County School District | NV | 29,470 | 320,620 | 350,090 | 8% |
| 13 | San Diego City Unified School District | CA | 24,440 | 105,870 | 130,300 | 19% |
| 14 | Palm Beach County School District | FL | 21,010 | 171,530 | 192,550 | 11% |
| 15 | Shelby County School District* | TN | 19,850 | 99,720 | 119,570 | 17% |
| 16 | Denver Public Schools | CO | 18,170 | 72,430 | 90,590 | 20% |
| 17 | Columbus City School District | OH | 18,080 | 50,400 | 68,490 | 26% |
| 18 | Hillsborough County School District | FL | 18,030 | 195,940 | 213,970 | 8% |
| 19 | Milwaukee School District | WI | 17,160 | 65,640 | 82,800 | 21% |
| 20 | San Antonio Independent School District | TX | 16,900 | 45,040 | 61,940 | 27% |
| 21 | Cleveland Municipal School District | OH | 16,710 | 38,720 | 55,430 | 30% |
| 22 | Newark City School District | NJ | 16,220 | 35,840 | 52,050 | 31% |
| 23 | Austin Independent School District | TX | 15,790 | 82,240 | 98,030 | 16% |
| 24 | Polk County School District | FL | 15,460 | 88,440 | 103,900 | 15% |
| 25 | Oakland Unified School District | CA | 15,210 | 36,760 | 51,970 | 29% |

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**APPENDIX B: TOP 50 DISTRICTS BY TOTAL NUMBER OF CHARTER
 SCHOOL STUDENTS, 2016-17**

| NO. | SCHOOL DISTRICT | STATE | CHARTER ENROLLMENT | DISTRICT ENROLLMENT | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | ENROLLMENT SHARE |
|-----|------------------------------------|-------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 26 | Albuquerque Public Schools | NM | 14,370 | 85,230 | 99,610 | 14% |
| 27 | Indianapolis Public Schools | IN | 14,240 | 28,770 | 43,000 | 33% |
| 28 | Douglas County School District | CO | 14,150 | 53,070 | 67,220 | 21% |
| 29 | Baltimore City Public Schools | MD | 14,080 | 68,270 | 82,350 | 17% |
| 30 | Orange County School District | FL | 13,670 | 186,300 | 199,970 | 7% |
| 31 | Boston School District | MA | 13,250 | 53,160 | 66,420 | 20% |
| 32 | Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools | NC | 13,120 | 147,160 | 160,280 | 8% |
| 33 | Duval County School District | FL | 13,100 | 115,660 | 128,760 | 10% |
| 34 | St. Paul Public School District | MN | 12,910 | 37,110 | 50,020 | 26% |
| 35 | Tucson Unified District | AZ | 12,520 | 47,720 | 60,240 | 21% |
| 36 | Kansas City School District | MO | 11,410 | 15,210 | 26,620 | 43% |
| 37 | St. Louis City School District | MO | 11,070 | 23,850 | 34,930 | 32% |
| 38 | Minneapolis Public School District | MN | 10,840 | 36,490 | 47,340 | 23% |
| 39 | Lee County School District | FL | 10,780 | 79,970 | 90,750 | 12% |
| 40 | Hawaii Department of Education | HI | 10,670 | 170,880 | 181,550 | 6% |
| 41 | Wake County Schools | NC | 10,330 | 159,210 | 169,550 | 6% |
| 42 | Jordan School District | UT | 9,550 | 52,510 | 62,060 | 15% |
| 43 | San Juan Unified School District | CA | 9,490 | 39,680 | 49,170 | 19% |
| 44 | Phoenix Union High School District | AZ | 9,470 | 27,360 | 36,820 | 26% |
| 45 | Jefferson County School District | CO | 9,180 | 76,570 | 85,740 | 11% |
| 46 | Mesa Unified District | AZ | 9,170 | 63,560 | 72,740 | 13% |
| 47 | Osceola County School District | FL | 9,140 | 51,850 | 60,990 | 15% |
| 48 | Atlanta City School District | GA | 8,880 | 42,900 | 51,790 | 17% |
| 49 | Buffalo City School District | NY | 8,740 | 33,230 | 41,970 | 21% |
| 50 | Davis School District | UT | 8,680 | 70,980 | 79,650 | 11% |

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APPENDIX C: STATE CHARTER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT SHARE, 2016-17

| STATE | CHARTER LAW ENACTED | CHARTER ENROLLMENT | DISTRICT ENROLLMENT | TOTAL ENROLLMENT | ENROLLMENT SHARE |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Alabama | 2015 | - | 725,830 | 725,830 | 0% |
| Alaska | 1995 | 6,760 | 126,470 | 133,230 | 5% |
| Arizona | 1994 | 185,990 | 940,860 | 1,126,850 | 17% |
| Arkansas | 1995 | 27,470 | 449,800 | 477,270 | 6% |
| California | 1992 | 602,840 | 5,615,570 | 6,218,410 | 10% |
| Colorado | 1993 | 115,100 | 789,620 | 904,720 | 13% |
| Connecticut | 1996 | 9,570 | 524,780 | 534,350 | 2% |
| Delaware | 1995 | 15,030 | 122,190 | 137,220 | 11% |
| District of Columbia | 1996 | 41,490 | 48,510 | 90,000 | 46% |
| Florida | 1996 | 283,200 | 2,531,100 | 2,814,300 | 10% |
| Georgia* | 1994 | 78,330 | 1,692,630 | 1,757,540 | 4% |
| Hawaii | 1994 | 10,670 | 170,880 | 181,550 | 6% |
| Idaho | 1996 | 21,350 | 277,450 | 298,800 | 7% |
| Illinois | 1996 | 65,220 | 1,943,910 | 2,009,130 | 3% |
| Indiana | 2001 | 43,720 | 1,005,570 | 1,049,290 | 4% |
| Iowa | 2002 | 400 | 509,800 | 510,200 | 0% |
| Kansas | 1994 | 3,230 | 483,490 | 486,730 | 1% |
| Kentucky | 2017 | - | 678,450 | 678,450 | 0% |
| Louisiana | 1995 | 77,180 | 644,020 | 721,200 | 11% |
| Maine | 2011 | 1,950 | 173,310 | 175,260 | 1% |
| Maryland | 2003 | 21,910 | 864,280 | 886,190 | 2% |
| Massachusetts | 1993 | 42,430 | 911,320 | 953,750 | 4% |
| Michigan | 1993 | 145,280 | 1,337,000 | 1,482,280 | 10% |
| Minnesota | 1991 | 53,930 | 820,900 | 874,830 | 6% |
| Mississippi | 2010 | 520 | 123,100 | 123,620 | 0% |
| Missouri | 1998 | 22,820 | 895,320 | 918,140 | 2% |

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|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Montana | N/A | - | 146,480 | 146,480 | 0% |
| Nebraska | N/A | - | 357,650 | 357,650 | 0% |
| Nevada | 1997 | 39,950 | 433,690 | 473,640 | 8% |
| New Hampshire | 1996 | 3,420 | 176,310 | 179,730 | 2% |
| New Jersey | 1995 | 45,320 | 1,323,770 | 1,369,080 | 3% |
| New Mexico | 1993 | 25,140 | 312,330 | 337,470 | 7% |
| New York | 1998 | 128,740 | 2,552,950 | 2,681,690 | 5% |
| North Carolina | 1996 | 92,520 | 1,438,570 | 1,531,100 | 6% |
| North Dakota | N/A | - | 109,530 | 109,530 | 0% |
| Ohio | 1997 | 117,080 | 1,586,820 | 1,703,890 | 7% |
| Oklahoma | 1999 | 24,150 | 669,560 | 693,710 | 3% |
| Oregon | 1999 | 32,150 | 546,800 | 578,950 | 6% |
| Pennsylvania | 1997 | 133,750 | 1,636,310 | 1,770,070 | 8% |
| Rhode Island | 1995 | 8,030 | 134,110 | 142,140 | 6% |
| South Carolina | 1996 | 32,250 | 739,500 | 771,760 | 4% |
| South Dakota | N/A | - | 135,810 | 135,810 | 0% |
| Tennessee** | 2002 | 30,000 | 969,720 | 999,720 | 3% |
| Texas | 1995 | 303,130 | 5,055,630 | 5,358,750 | 6% |
| Utah | 1998 | 71,490 | 573,460 | 644,960 | 11% |
| Vermont | N/A | - | 84,430 | 84,430 | 0% |
| Virginia | 1998 | 1,210 | 1,287,270 | 1,288,480 | 0% |
| Washington | 2016 | 1,680 | 1,101,590 | 1,103,270 | 0% |
| West Virginia | N/A | - | 273,170 | 273,170 | 0% |
| Wisconsin | 1993 | 44,450 | 818,290 | 862,740 | 5% |
| Wyoming | 1995 | 470 | 92,800 | 93,260 | 0% |
| TOTAL | | 3,011,300 | 46,962,700 | 49,974,00 | 6% |

ENROLLMENT SHARE METHODOLOGY

1. In this analysis, the National Alliance examined enrollment share in school districts with more than 10,000 public school students (both charter and district-run) in the 2016–17 school year. The National Alliance gathered public school enrollment data for both charter and district-run schools from state departments of education.
2. More than 50 percent of charter schools nationwide are their own independent Local Education Agencies (LEAs), rather than being part of district-run public school LEAs. In order to determine the school district in which these charter schools are physically located, the National Alliance used a geocoding method to identify the geographically relevant school district for each charter school. Specifically, the National Alliance geocoded every charter school that is an independent LEA to the geographically relevant school district LEA by mapping charter school addresses onto school district boundary maps available through the U.S. Census Bureau.
3. For Michigan, the National Alliance used student residential enrollment data that indicate the total number of students attending charter schools based on the district in which each student resides. The residential enrollment data provide information regarding how many students who reside in a school district attend charter schools (regardless of where these schools are located).
4. The number of virtual charter schools that enroll children from across many different school districts adds a layer of complexity to the enrollment share analysis. Because many states have not developed student enrollment reporting systems that allow for sorting individual students by community of residence, the National Alliance excluded virtual schools from both the charter and total district enrollment data when calculating enrollment share percentages. This decision may create some undercounting in school districts where large numbers of students are enrolled in virtual schools. The National Alliance coded virtual schools based on information gathered from the Common Core of Data and state departments of education. The District of Columbia has only one school district and did not have any virtual schools in 2016–17. The National Alliance did include virtual schools in Hawaii (which only has one school district) and Michigan (where residential enrollment data are available).

NOTES

Appendix A: As of October 2017, enrollment data for the 2016–17 school year were not available for Tennessee.

Appendix B: As of October 2017, enrollment data for the 2016–17 school year were not available for Tennessee.

Appendix C: The Georgia charter school enrollment number was provided by the Georgia Department of Education.

The Tennessee charter school enrollment number is an estimate provided by the state's charter support organization. The district enrollment number in Tennessee is based on 2015–16 publicly available enrollment data.